

Project Update

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San Bernardino Associated Governments (SANBAG) is a county-wide coalition of elected officials that coordinates regional issues, and is responsible for transportation planning, financing and related programs.

The Route 30/210 project is a partnership between SANBAG and Caltrans.

Both agencies share responsibility for the funding, design and construction of the new freeway.

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SANBAG AND CALTRANS CELEBRATE 15/210 INTERCHANGE OPENING

SANBAG and Caltrans were joined by Governor Gray Davis and a crowd of nearly 1,000 people in celebration of the 15/210 freeway interchange opening Monday, July 20. This special day marked the opening of the 5.7 mile section of Route 30/210 extending from Day Creek Boulevard in Rancho Cucamonga to Sierra Avenue in Fontana.

The celebration included elected officials from both cities as well as state officials honoring William E. Leonard by dedicating the interchange in his name. Mr. Leonard played an active role in bringing the Route 30/210 project to fruition and has been a leader in San Bernardino County and California transportation issues.

Originally, the new freeway in both Los Angeles and San Bernardino counties was scheduled to open as one large project in 2002. However, Caltrans, which was responsible for building the 15/210 interchange, coordinated with SANBAG and the two cities to open this small

stretch ahead of schedule. The remainder of the freeway is still scheduled for completion in 2002 and is being coordinated between Los Angeles and San Bernardino counties.

This newly opened section of freeway includes on- and off-ramps at Day Creek Boulevard, Cherry Avenue, Citrus Avenue and Sierra Avenue. There are also dedicated carpool on- and off-ramps at Beech Avenue. Traffic modeling done by SANBAG and Caltrans prior to this partial opening concluded that local traffic will not be adversely impacted with significant congestion delays. Since the opening, traffic has remained steady while work continues on the new section of freeway.

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Governor Gray Davis joined in the 15/210 interchange opening celebration. The Governor is sitting between William E. Leonard and his son Assemblyman Bill Leonard. The interchange was named in honor of William E. Leonard.

CITY NEWS

With the recent opening of the 15/210 interchange in August, focus now shifts to the remaining construction projects in Upland and Rancho Cucamonga. Currently, excavation is the order of business as millions of yards of dirt still need to be moved for the freeway to be constructed in a depressed configuration.

One of the many issues SANBAG faces is what to do with the dirt being excavated. In some cases the dirt can be moved within the freeway corridor to other areas where the elevation is currently too low. For example, in Upland dirt is needed to fill some of the rock quarry holes that exist near the Los Angeles County boundary. In other cases, the contractor hauling the dirt has made arrangements with nearby developers that require additional dirt for their project as is the case with the Colonies at San Antonio development between Sapphire and Campus.

Stormdrain construction is continuing in Rancho Cucamonga, including the recent completion of the storm drain project at Jasper and future projects scheduled to begin soon at Beryl and Amethyst. Bridge work will be coordinated with storm drain construction at Beryl and Amethyst, two of the last bridges to be completed as part of the freeway project. In addition, the last two construction contracts totaling \$55 million were recently awarded for work to be completed on the



Jasper stormdrain in Rancho Cucamonga involved deep trenching of the residential street. The new stormdrain continues under the freeway and connects with the existing

SOUNDWALL ISSUE RESOLVED IN UPLAND

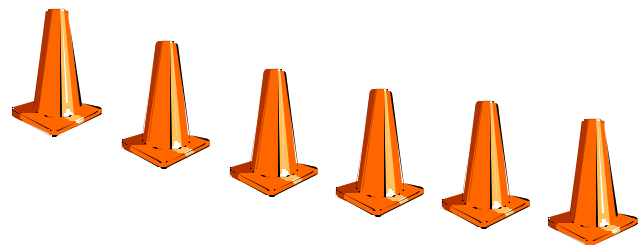
SANBAG recently backed a plan to help fund a soundwall on the north side of the Route 30/210 Freeway between Euclid and San Antonio. This was in response to Upland resident complaints about gaps in the soundwall near their homes. An Ad-Hoc committee was formed to study the issue with recommendations from this group forwarded to the SANBAG Board which is expected to consider the plan for approval this fall.

The soundwalls being proposed would be built with contributions from SANBAG, Caltrans and the city. Each agency would be reimbursed when Caltrans sells surplus property near the area in question.

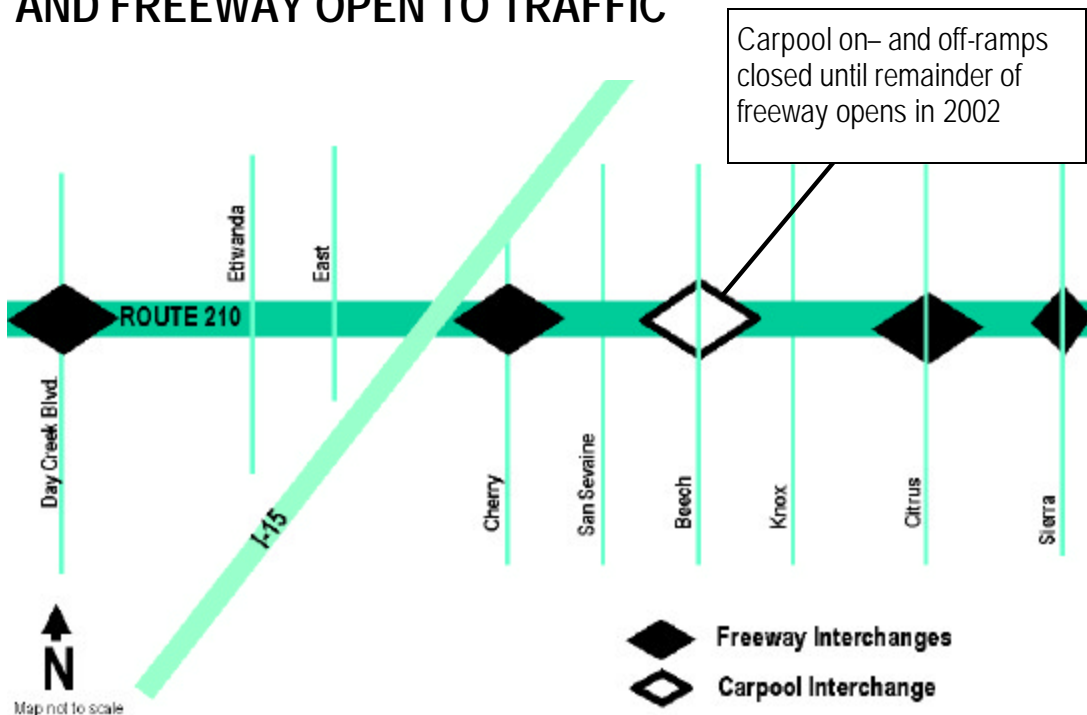
Residents and participants of "We Want Our Wall" (WWOW) were very happy with the SANBAG decision.



During excavation in Upland and Rancho Cucamonga, some huge rocks have been uncovered including the one pictured



MAP OF THE 15/210 INTERCHANGE AND FREEWAY OPEN TO TRAFFIC



The section of freeway that is now open to traffic extends from Day Creek Boulevard in Rancho Cucamonga to Sierra Avenue in Fontana. Day Creek Boulevard is a newly constructed street that extends south from the freeway to Baseline Road. Motorists heading east on the Route 30/210 freeway will exit the freeway at Sierra Avenue and be connected to Highland Avenue which extends into the cities of Rialto and San Bernardino.

The I-15 Freeway may be accessed from both west and east bound lanes of the Route 30/210 Freeway.

RESIDENTS AND BUSINESSES JOIN SANBAG AND CALTRANS AT GRAND OPENING CELEBRATION

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Prior to opening the interchange, Caltrans and SANBAG completed final safety inspections along the corridor. As part of these safety checks, additional guard rail was required and installed at various locations along the freeway.

Landscaping of the completed section of freeway will occur over the next two years as part of a separate contract. Soundwalls along the freeway include vegetation holes to allow vines to grow on the soundwall block to help negate graffiti and vandalism.



Governor Gray Davis joined with a number of other elected officials in the ceremonial ribbon cutting to officially commemorate the opening of the 5.7-mile stretch of freeway.

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Temporary Road Closures

- Beryl between Highland and 19th
- Amethyst between Highland and 19th



SAFETY TIP



Please continue to follow all signage and be careful traveling around the construction sites during freeway excavation. Most bridges are completed with pedestrian walkways provided on either side.